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SUBJECT: CROATIAN PRESIDENT FRANJO TUDJMAN'S LETTER TO  
PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH

1. THE CROATIAN GOVERNMENT THE MORNING OF APRIL 14  
CALLED IN THE DIPLOMATIC CORP TO EXPRESS ITS CONCERN  
OVER EVENTS IN BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. PRESIDENT FRANJO  
TUDJMAN'S CHIEF OF CABINET, HRVOJE SARINIC, DELIVERED  
LETTERS (WITH ENGLISH TRANSLATIONS) APPEALING TO WORLD  
LEADERS TO TAKE ACTION TO "END THE AGGRESSION AND  
DEATH OF INNOCENT PEOPLE."

2. BELOW IS THE LETTER ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT BUSH.  
BEGIN TEXT:

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PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

THE NUMBER OF CEASE-FIRE VIOLATIONS AND ESCALATING  
ATTACKS ON CROATIAN CITIES AND VILLAGES, AS WELL AS  
EXPULSIONS OF REMAINING CROATIAN AND NON-SERBIAN  
POPULATIONS FROM THE OCCUPIED AREAS OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
CROATIA, IS ASSUMING ALARMING PROPORTIONS.

UNFORTUNATELY, OUR FEARS ABOUT THE WAR SPREADING TO  
NEIGHBOURING BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA HAVE BEEN REALIZED.  
THERE, THE SAME SCENARIO AND THE SAME TERRITORIAL  
PRETENSIONS ARE BEING INFLICTED UPON THE CROATIAN AND  
MOSLEM POPULATIONS. HORRIBLE CRIMES ARE BEING  
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PERPETRATED AGAINST THEM AND THEY ARE BEING EXPELLED  
FROM THEIR HOMES IN ORDER TO ETHNICALLY "PURIFY" THE  
TERRITORY FOR A GREATER SERBIA. THESE ACTIONS  
ENDANGER THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
PEACE-KEEPING FORCES, THE PEACE CONFERENCE ON  
YUGOSLAVIA, AND STABILITY IN THIS PART OF EUROPE.

THE ALREADY-EXISTING 600,000 REFUGEES IN CROATIA HAVE  
BEEN JOINED IN THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS BY 65,000 MORE  
FROM BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, AND THE NUMBERS ARE  
INCREASING DAILY. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
CROATIA IS DOING ALL POSSIBLE TO ASSIST THOSE AFFECTED  
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BY THIS SENSELESS WAR, BUT DUE TO THE DESTRUCTION  
WHICH WE HAVE ALREADY SUFFERED AND THE NUMBER OF  
REFUGEES WITHIN CROATIA, IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO  
RESOLVE THE HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS CAUSED BY THE  
ESCALATION OF THE CONFLICT IN BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA  
WITHOUT YOUR AID.

WE APPEAL TO YOU TO USE YOUR PERSONAL INFLUENCE AND  
THE INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION YOUR COUNTRY ENJOYS TO  
ACTIVATE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO UNDERTAKE  
ENERGETIC MEASURES AGAINST SERBIA, MONTENEGRO AND THE  
YUGOSLAV NATIONAL ARMY, IN ORDER TO BRING TO A  
PERMANENT END THE AGGRESSION AND DEATH OF INNOCENT  
PEOPLE. IT IS CRITICAL THAT THE INTERNATIONAL  
MECHANISM FOR HALTING THE AGGRESSION AGAINST THE  
INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED STATES OF CROATIA AND  
BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA BE APPLIED.

MORE CONCRETELY, IT IS NECESSARY TO SPEED UP THE  
DEPLOYMENT DATE ENVISIONED FOR THE PEACEKEEPING TROOPS  
AND THE RETREAT OF THE YUGOSLAV NATIONAL ARMY FROM THE  
ENTIRE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA; TO LIFT  
ALL AIR, SEA AND LAND BLOCKADES; AND TO GUARANTEE THE  
RETURN OF ALL REFUGEES. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY  
SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONSIDER A PEACE-KEEPING PLAN AND  
OPERATION IN BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. IT IS ALSO  
IMPERATIVE TO CONCLUDE THE PROCESS OF INTERNATIONALLY  
DE-RECOGNIZING YUGOSLAVIA.

HONOURABLE MR. PRESIDENT, THE EFFORTS BY THE  
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO POLITICALLY RESOLVE THE  
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CRISIS ON THE TERRITORY OF FORMER YUGOSLAVIA HAVE THUS  
FAR NOT BORNE FRUIT. ON THE CONTRARY, SERBIA,  
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MONTENEGRO, AND THE YUGOSLAV NATIONAL ARMY HAVE  
EXTENDED THEIR VIOLENCE TO BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA IN ORDER

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PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH

TO PREVENT THE CONVENING OF TALKS ON THE  
CONSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK OF BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA AND THE  
CONCLUSION OF THE PEACE CONFERENCE IN BRUSSELS. IT IS  
THEREFORE NECESSARY TO CONSIDER OTHER MEANS, IN  
ADDITION TO ALREADY EXISTING ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL  
PRESSURE, IN ORDER TO HALT THE AGGRESSION AND TO  
GUARANTEE INTERNATIONAL PEACE, AS ENVISIONED IN THE  
UNITED NATIONS CHARTER.

MR. PRESIDENT, IN THE NAME OF DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES  
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AND PEACE BETWEEN NATIONS AND PEOPLES, FOR WHICH YOU  
HAVE INTERCEDED, I APPEAL TO YOU TO DO ALL IN YOUR  
POWER AND IN THE POWER OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY  
TO HALT THE BARBARIC AGGRESSION AND PREVENT FURTHER  
DESTRUCTION OF ENTIRE COMMUNITIES, AS WELL AS THE  
DEATH AND SUFFERING OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF  
CIVILIANS, INNOCENT AND WEAK ELDERLY CITIZENS, WOMEN  
AND CHILDREN.

IN THE HOPE THAT YOU WILL IMMEDIATELY UNDERTAKE  
EFFECTIVE AND DECISIVE MEASURES, PLEASE ACCEPT,  
HONOURABLE MR. PRESIDENT, THE EXPRESSION OF MY DEEPEST  
RESPECT.

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA  
DR. FRANJO TUDJMAN

ZAGREB, APRIL 13, 1992

END TEXT.

13. BY SEPTEL, AT THE REQUEST OF THE CROATIAN  
GOVERNMENT, WE ARE TRANSMITTING THE LETTER ADDRESSED  
TO THE SYG'S SPECIAL ENVOY, CYRUS VANCE, TO US UN FOR

DELIVERY TO MR. VANCE. THE ORIGINAL LETTER TO  
PRESIDENT BUSH AND FORMER SECRETARY VANCE WILL BE  
POUCHED TO THE DEPARTMENT.  
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